

FRIDAY NIGHT FACTS

OFFICE OF FAITH-BASED AND COMMUNITY INITIATIVES



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The U.S. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is offering Drug Free Communities support grants to establish and strengthen collaboration among community, nonprofit and government agencies to prevent and reduce substance abuse among youth. However, the deadline is **Tuesday, April 17, 2007.**

For more information, visit http://www.samhsa.gov/Grants/2007/SP_07_001.aspx

ING Direct offers Planet Orange Financial Literacy Awards to K-8 teachers to teach money management and financial literacy skills. The grant range is \$200 to \$1,000 and the deadline is **April 20, 2007.**

For more information, visit <http://www.sweepsplanners.com/orangekids/index.asp>

Rural Capacity Grants are being offered by the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs to promote economic development and job opportunities in rural communities, including older teens. The grant funds activities such as training programs that teach skills needed in the local job market, education for rural Hoosiers to build job skills and programs that teach literacy and math skills. The technical assistance workshop will be in Indianapolis on May 3rd, with the application deadline **June 29, 2007.** Registration to attend the workshop closes on **April 30th.**

For more information or to register, go to <http://www.ocra.in.gov> and click on Rural Capacity Grants.

State Farm and Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) are pleased to offer ten \$1000 grants which can be used to develop local service-learning projects for the 2007-2008 school year. The service-learning projects must address one of three topics: underage alcohol use prevention, vehicle safety, and adult impaired driving. Applicants must be a school-based or community-based organization working with youth ages 5-25 and fulfill State Farm's service-learning criteria. The deadline for grant applications is May 1. To learn more, visit <http://www.pyppm.org>

Free Seminar!!

Spring Training for Human Resources Professionals

Presented by Goodwill Staffing Solutions

Sponsored by the Indianapolis Indians

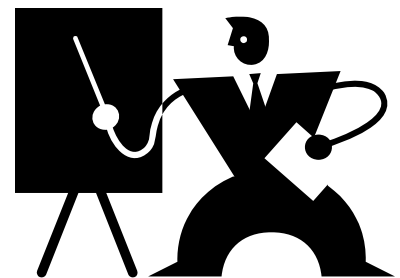
Purpose: To learn tips and techniques for giving great presentations

Date: Thursday, May 3, 2007

Time: 2 to 4 PM

Location: Goodwill Industries of Central Indiana, 1635 W. Michigan Street, Indianapolis

For more information: Call 317-524-4317 or email crussell@goodwillindy.org





This month marks the second anniversary of the Rx for Indiana program. Within the last several months, Rx for Indiana welcomed Asthma Alliance of Indianapolis and Minority Health Coalition of Marion County as two new partners.

Asthma Alliance of Indianapolis

Working to arm individuals affected by asthma with the knowledge and skills to improve health and quality of life, Asthma Alliance of Indianapolis is a coalition of healthcare professionals that takes a multidisciplinary approach to asthma education, prevention and treatment. Recognized nationally as a model program, Asthma Alliance was recently awarded the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's National Exemplary Award. Visit www.asthmaindy.org for more information.

Minority Health Coalition of Marion County

The Marion County counterpart to the Indiana Minority Health Coalition works to empower and motivate citizens of Marion County to practice community self-reliance and to improve the health status of all minority residents. The organization hopes to reduce the morbidity and mortality rates that result from chronic health conditions and diseases that commonly affect the minority communities. Go to www.minorityhcmc.org to learn more.

Indiana Health Disparity Initiative Recognized

The work of the Indiana Health Disparity Initiative/CEO Roundtable earned recognition by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services as a model program and landed Indiana as the first launch site for a new nationwide initiative. The goal of the federal program is to rally business and community thought leaders in support of bettering the health of minorities in the United States. Federal officials with the Office of Minority Health see the Indiana Health Disparity Initiative, a public-private partnership, as a model they hope to replicate in communities throughout the nation.



White House Conference on Faith-Based and Community Initiatives

Tuesday, May 15 and Wednesday, May 16, 2007

Phoenix Convention Center
100 North Third Street
Phoenix, AZ 85004

On Tuesday, May 15 and Wednesday, May 16, 2007, the White House and the Departments of Justice, Commerce, Agriculture, Labor, Veterans Affairs, Health & Human Services, Housing & Urban Development, Education, and Homeland Security, the Agency for International Development, and the Small Business Administration will host a conference in Phoenix to help social service organizations learn more about President Bush's Faith-Based and Community Initiative. These conferences are geared towards faith-based and community organizations that have no history of applying for government grants, as well as those that have applied, but have not yet been successful.

The conference is free, but pre-registration is required. Registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis. Visit www.fbc.gov to register online. We strongly encourage you to register online. If you are unable to register online, please call 202-456-6708 to have a form faxed to you. The deadline for registration is **Tuesday, May 1st**.

The conference is part of a series of regional events that are being held around the country. The conferences provide participants with a general overview of the Faith-Based and Community Initiative, information about the government grants process and available funding opportunities, and an overview of the legal responsibilities that come with the receipt of Federal funds.

For more information, please call 202-456-6708, send an email to fbc@dtihq.com, or visit www.fbc.gov.